

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.2003-4615, by Representatives Lovick, Miloscia, Haigh, Dickerson, Dunshee, Chase, O'Brien, Hinkle, Pettigrew, Cooper, Kirby, Berkey, Edwards, Lantz, Wallace, Morrell, Kessler, Clibborn, Moeller, Delvin, Skinner, Wood, Sullivan, Eickmeyer, Hudgins and Simpson

WHEREAS, Ann Rule has earned distinction as one of the most respected writers of true crime stories in America; and

WHEREAS, She is an authority on the subject due to her extensive background in law enforcement and the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, She was once a Seattle police officer and also worked as a caseworker for the Washington State Department of Public Assistance; and

WHEREAS, She comes from a long line of law enforcement professionals in her family; and

WHEREAS, She has helped educate countless state law enforcement professionals on high-profile crimes and law enforcement issues; and

WHEREAS, She has donated many hours of her time by speaking at fund-raising events and training seminars held by charitable groups and law enforcement organizations; and

WHEREAS, She has contributed to the community in other ways, including speaking to endless numbers of community groups, professional organizations, and conferences; and

WHEREAS, She has assisted Congress in many ways, including testifying as an expert witness in front of legislative committees; and

WHEREAS, She has published more than 1,000 articles on true crime cases, and 19 of her books have been on the New York Times bestseller list; and

WHEREAS, She won the Governor's award for her 1980 book *The Stranger Beside Me*; and

WHEREAS, Her most recent books, *Every Breath You Take* and *Last Dance, Last Chance*, have reached number one on the New York Times bestseller list; and

WHEREAS, In addition to being one of the foremost authors of crime writing in America, she has raised four children of her own and one foster child even after the passing of her husband; and

WHEREAS, She graduated from the University of Washington and currently lives in Seattle;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington recognize all the contributions Ann Rule has made in the area of crime prevention and awareness through her literary contributions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Ann Rule.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4615 adopted by the House of Representatives
February 11, 2003

Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk